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AMENDMENT

This Amendment is in response to the non-final Office Action mailed April 29, 2010. Applicant is filing this Amendment one month after the three-month shortened statutory period which ended July 29, 2010. Hence, Applicant respectfully petitions for a one month extension of time to extend the term for timely response to August 30, 2010 (due to August 29, 2010 being a Sunday and August 30, 2010 being the next business day). Applicant believes that no other extension of time is required. However, Applicant conditionally petitions for an addition extension of time to provide for the possibility that the need for such a petition has been inadvertently overlooked.

Authorization for a credit card payment of the extension of time fee is being filed herewith via EFS. As provided below, please charge Deposit Account No. 50-2121 for any additional required fee, or for any deficiency in the enclosed fee.

Applicant appreciates the Examiner's thorough examination of the subject application and request reexamination and reconsideration of the subject application in view of the following:

- Amendments to the Claims, beginning on Page 2 of this paper; and
- Remarks, beginning on Page 6 of this paper.